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March 11, 1993

James Quello, Acting Commissioner The Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street NW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello: .

I am writing this letter in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to Smithtown, Suffolk County, New York. Although WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to the issues of its local communities.

I am aware of this first hand. As a duly elected member of the Suffolk County Legislature, I can attest to the numerous public interest items aired on WHSI-TV, Channel 67. For your information, just a few of their topics are programs that express concern about environmental issues, consumer information and Senior Citizen advocacy.

After you thoroughly investigate WHSI-TV's records, I am sure you will be more than satisfied with the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the station's local programming.

Feel free to contact this office if we can be of further assistance.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL M. D'ANDRE County Legislator

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TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

159 Pantigo Road East Hampton, N.Y. 11937

TONY BULLOCK SUPERVISOR

February 22, 1993

516-324-4140 FAX: 516-324-2789

Hon. James Quello, Acting Commissioner The Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street NW Washington DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello:

I am writing this letter in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to the Town of Smithtown, New York. Althought WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to local public interest programming.

As Town Supervisor of the Town of East Hampton, I recently worked with the station to produce a series addressing the issue of striped bass management in New York State waters. This series informed the public of an important issue.

After you thoroughly investigate WHSI-TV's records, I am sure that you will be more than satisfied with the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the station's local programming.

Sincerely

TONY BULLOCK

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Copy to letter sent to Commissioner Quello and 3 others.

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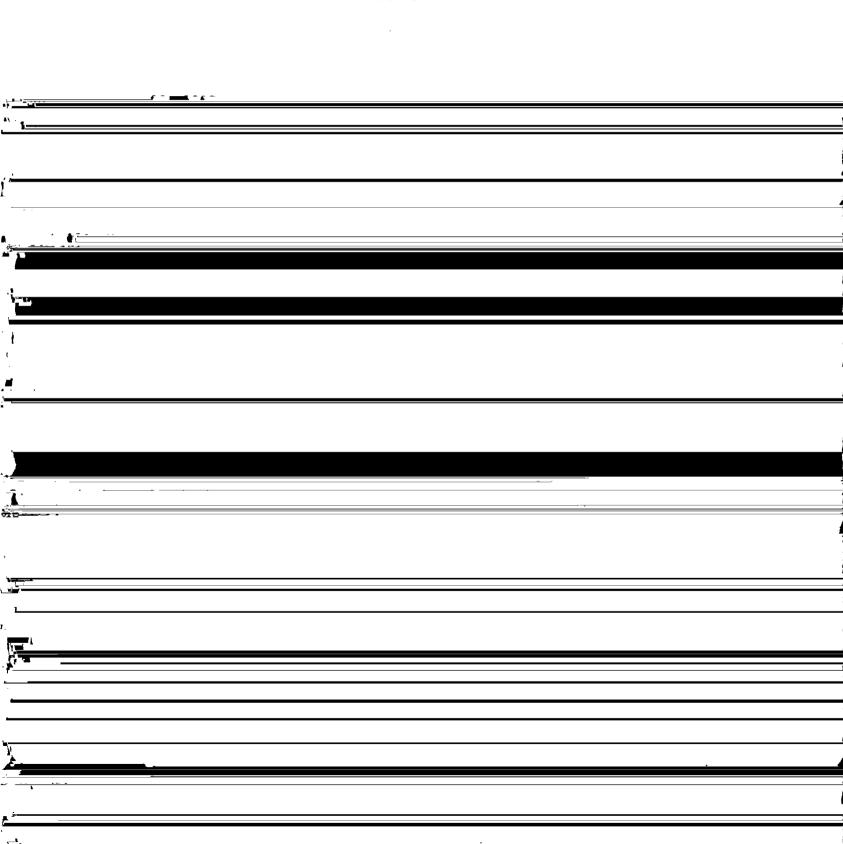
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February 18, 1993

The Honorable James Quello Acting Commissioner Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street NW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello:

I am writing this letter in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to the city of Smithtown New York. Although WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to the issues of its local communities.

I know this first hand because of my relationship with WHSI-TV. As Associate Manager of Public Affairs at Long Island Blood Services, we recently worked with the station to educate Long Islanders about the importance of donating blood. WHSI-TV has enabled our organization to inform the public about many of our blood drives. The need for blood donors requires constant recruitment effort and WHSI has helped us to keep this issue before the public through their public affairs programming.

After you thoroughly investigate WHSI-TV's records, I am sure that you will be more than satisfied with the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the stations local programming.

Sincerely,

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February 25, 1993

The Honorable James Quello Acting Commissioner Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello:

This letter is sent to you in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed at Smithtown, New York. Although WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to the issues of its local communities.

I have personal knowledge of this committment because of my relationship with WHSI-TV. As president of Managed Business Solutions, we recently worked with the station to produce a series addressing the issue of the new Family and Medical Leave Act. In this manner, our organization was able to inform the public on this very current topic.

I believe that an investigation of WHSI-TV's records will provide satisfactory evidence of the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the station's local programming.

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Sincerely

February 23, 1993

The Honorable Sherrie Marshall 1919 M Street NW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Marshall:

I am writing this letter in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to the city of Smithtown, New York. Although WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to the issues of its local communities.

I know this first hand because of my relationship with WHSI-TV. As President of Michael G. Kessler & Associates, Ltd., we recently worked with the station to produce a series addressing the issue of fraud and deceit. This enabled our organization to inform the public about various frauds in the community.

After you thoroughly investigate WSHI-TV's records, I am sure that you will be more than satisfied with the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the station's local programming.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Kessler, CFE, CII

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March 2, 1993

The Honorable Andrew Barrett
The Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Barrett:

I am writing this letter in support of granting."Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to the city of Smithtown, New York. Although WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to the issues of its local communities.

I know this first hand because of my relationship with WHSI-TV. As Chief Instructor of Smithtown Karate Academy we recently worked with the station to produce a series addressing the issue of "Attack Prevention" for women. This enabled our organization to inform the public. Additionally, after viewing the other programs presented on WHSI-TV, I sincerely believe that they are bringing important informative programming to the public. Feedback from my own show has been positive and shows me that this station is reaching the public with a much needed message.

After you thoroughly investigate WHSI-TV's records, I am sure that you will be more than satisfied with the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the station's local programming.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Fierro
Chief Instructor



Political Science Department

(516) 299-2407

March 8, 1993

The Honorable James Quello

Acting Commissioner

The Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW

Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello:

I am writing this letter in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to the city of Smithtown, New York. Although WHSI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to the issues of its local communities.

I know this first hand because of my relationship with WHSI-TV. As Professor of Political Science and History of C. W. Post/Long Island University, we recently worked with the station to produce a series addressing the issue of Elections, candidates and policies. This enabled our organization to inform the public.

After you thoroughly investigate WHSI-TV's records, I am sure that you will be more than satisfied with the level at which WHSI-TV serves the public interest. It will be an asset to have WHSI-TV carried on all cable systems so that everyone will be able to take advantage of the station's local programming.

Sincerely,

Stanley Klein
Professor of Political Science

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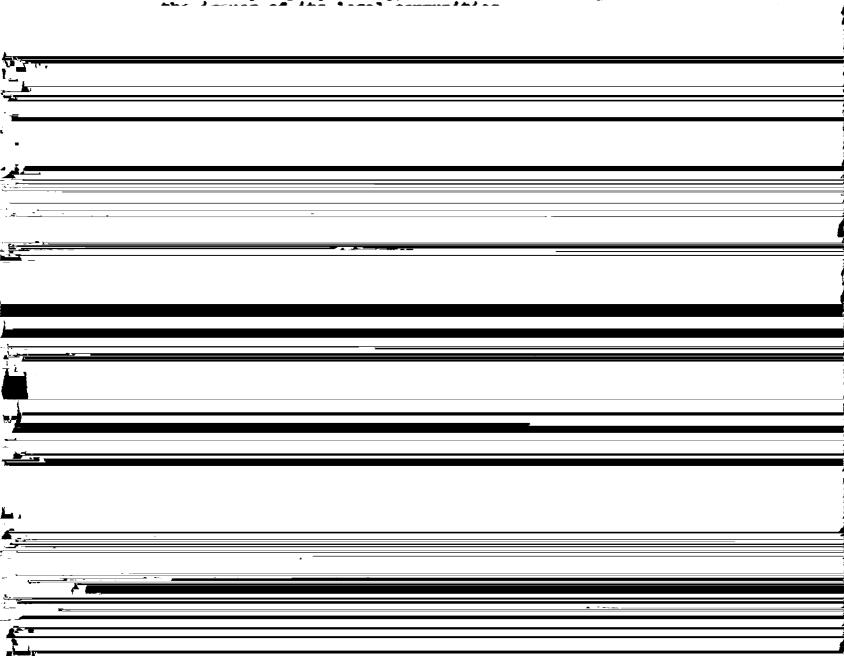


March 9, 1993

Honorable James Quello Acting Commissioner The Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street NW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello:

I am writing in support of granting "Must Carry" status to WHSI-TV, Channel 67, licensed to the city of Smithtown, New York. Although WSHI-TV carries the Home Shopping Club as its major programming, the station is fully committed to





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June 8, 1992

Congressman George Hochbrueckner 124 Cannon House/Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Hochbrueckner:

We understand that the federal government is examining legislation that would require cable television companies to carry local community service programming of television broadcast stations. On Long Island this would mean that programming produced by local stations WLIW-TV 21, WLIG-TV 55 and WHSI-TV 67 would have to be carried by cable television stations.

However, some legislators would like to exempt coverage of "home shopping networks," such as WSHI, from this legislation, despite the fact that this channel received its broadcasting license based on community service programming. WSHI produces, "In Your Interest," which highlights activities and events of importance to Long Island. The Long Island Association has appeared on this program, which provides an important outlet for us to share our thoughts and concerns on community issues.

WHSI is a valuable media outlet for this type of information, and should be included "must carry" legislation, along with the other broadcast stations on Long Island. Long Islanders deserve the benefit of more coverage of local issues, and WSHI deserves to be included on cable television.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Valerie Z. Scibilia

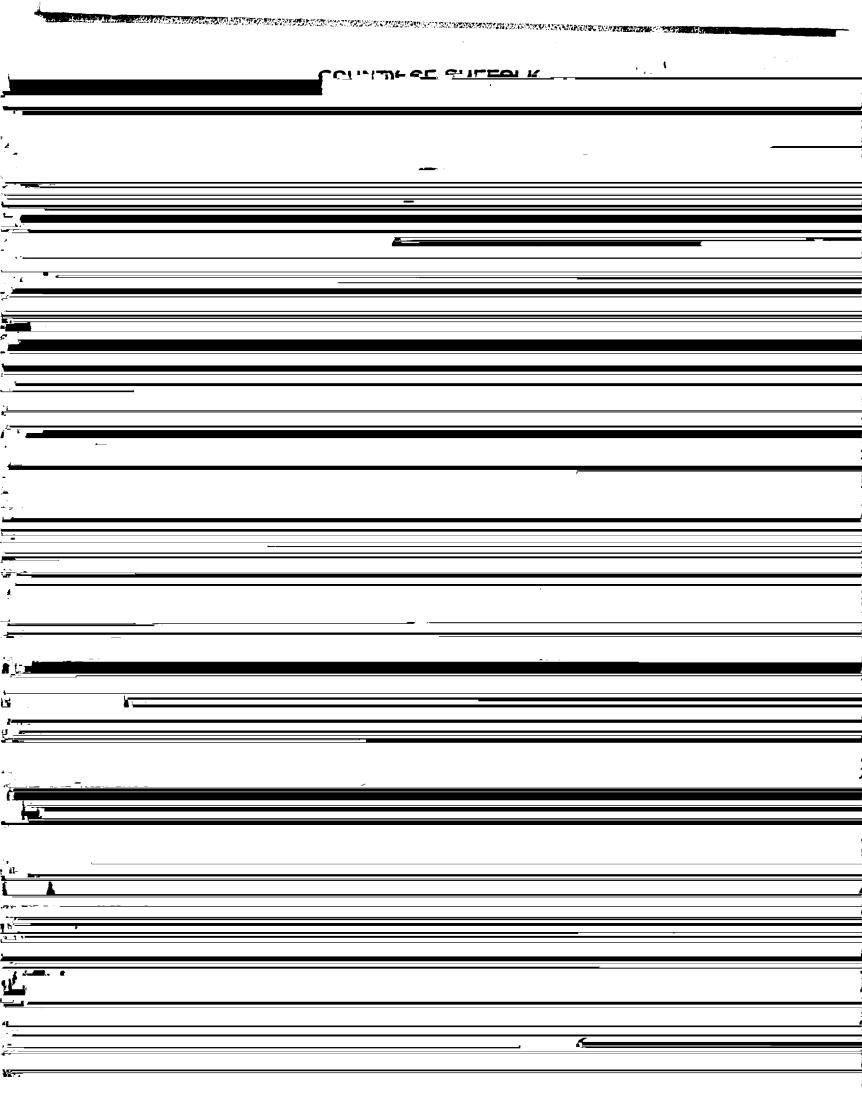
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Thank you for your consideration; and if I can be of any assistance to you or should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

With best regards,

Arthur G. Pitts Supervisor

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cc: U.S. Rep. Norman Lent

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MORTH JERSEY BLOOD CENTER

45 South Grove Street East Orange, New Jersey 07018 (201) 676-4700

May 15, 1992

Senator Frank Lautenberg 717 SHOB Washington, D.C. 20510-3002

Dear Senator Lautenberg:

My name is Judy Knecht. I have served as the Public Relations Director of the North Jersey Blood Center serving North Jersey residents since 1990, and prior to that was employed by the Union County based Association for Advancement of the Mentally Handicapped for eight years.

The Association for Advancement of the Mentally Handlcapped is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping people with handlcaps live full and productive lives in the community. It also serves as an advocacy organization working in concert with people with disabilities to increase community awareness. As the spokesperson for that organization, I appeared on "In Your Interest", the public affairs program of WHSE-TV, Channel 68. The appearance and discussion generated a large amount of response and provided a valuable community service.

Last summer, Bill Roller, the host of "In Your Interest, " visited the North Jersey Blood Center, and had himself filmed giving blood to emphasize the Importance of blood donations. Summer is traditionally a time of low blood donations, and the timing of the ensuing short programs provided a much needed boost in the necessary education of the public concerning the state's blood supply. Several segments illustrated the ease, importance and value of donating, as well as the responsibility of the community to maintain an adequate supply.

Through this public affairs program, non-profit organizations have the opportunity to promote their activities and goals, and citizens are often given the opportunity to participate in worthwhile and valuable community activities. I believe that "In Your Interest" is an important component to the offering of information to the community, and residents should have full access to the information that the program provides.

Thank you.

Sincerely.

Judy Knecht

Public Relations Director



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July 28, 1992

Sen. Frank Lautenberg 717 SMOB Washington, DC 20510-3002

Dear Sen. Lautenberg:

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ACTING STATE TREASURER

I am the Manager of the Office of Communication and Education of the New Jersey Division of Taxation. My office, which is located in Trenton, is responsible for the communication of tax information to New Jersey taxpayers.

Throughout my 19 year career with the Division, I have concluded that an informed consumer is a protected consumer. Television Station WHSE of Newark, New Jersey has continually provided an important avenue of information to viewers.

I have been a frequent guest on WHSE hourly public affairs program element, "In Your Interest". In multi-part format, "In Your Interest" has afforded me the opportunity to give New Jersey taxpayers information they need to complete their State income tax return accurately and to apply for their Homestead Rebates. It is as a result of my varied appearances on Channel 68, and my "open invitation" to discuss tax issuees that I believe viewers of WHSE have become better informed taxpayers. The relationship which the staff and management of WHSE has established with my office has assisted in performing my responsibilities.

I urge you to reject any proposal which would bar local television stations from being carried on local cable systems. As a licensed television station WHSE is dedicated to serving the public. Any artificial contraint on their ability would harm the community WHSE is licensed to serve.

Very truly yours

Karen M. Wood

Manager

Office of Communication

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Interfaith Hospitality Network for the Homeless of Essex County, Inc. P.O. Box 1356 • Maplewood, NJ 07040 • 47 Cleveland Street • Orange, NJ 07050 • (201) 414-9856

June 1, 1992

My name is Michael Ferruggia and I am the Executive Director of The Interfaith Hospitality Network for the homeless of Essex County. Our program provides food, shelter, and support services to families who are homeless. I am also active in several advocacy groups for the homeless and a member of Mayor Sharpe James Commission on the homeless.

I am writing to you today on behalf of TV68, WHSE, HSN Broadcasting of NJ, Inc., 390 Market Street, Newark, NJ 07107. I have had the privilige of being invited on the show by host Bill Roller to discuss the important crisis we all face in homelessness. In a series of four spots, I was able to discuss with Bill, and for the viewing audience, important facts and issues dealing with homelessness. I believe it was an informative chance for people to learn something about an issue that is too often marked by stereotype and myth.

I believe Ch. 68 offers a vital community need and I urge you to reject any proposal which would bar local television stations from being carried on local cable systems. Bill Roller's program, "In Your Interest," truly is in the interest of all who view it. I have seen many of the other community interest stories done on the program and have found them to be informative and evocative. It would be a shame if access to the public were blocked for a show that focuses on the interests and concerns of grass roots people like ourselves.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Ferruggia

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



ROBERT J. GAFFNEY SUFFOLK COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

RUTH A. BRANDWEIN, PH.D. COMMISSIONER

June 1, 1992

The Honorable Norman Lent 2408 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-3204

Dear Congressman Lent:

I am writing in support of including WHSI(TV)-67 in the federal legislation that is now being considered which requires cable television companies to carry the programming of local broadcasters as basic service for all Cablevision and Brookhaven Cable Company subscribers.

I have appeared on the "In Your Interest" community service program segments of WHSI(TV)-67 on a number of occasions to speak about child, partner and elder abuse as well as to provide information about services offered by our department. Although WHSI is primarily known for its shop-at-home programing, the viewers who may be tuned in, could be just the people who need to be reached -- homebound or abused, neglected and isolated. Furthermore this shop at home station reaches a very large audience who may not access other media.

It is my sincere belief that Long Islanders deserve more community service resource information available to them. WHSI(TV)-67 should be included among those making this type of important contribution on local cable television. Thank you for your consideration.

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Ruth'A. Brandwekn, Ph.D.

Commissioner

bcc. Mr. Dave Porrello

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May 31, 1992

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Rep. Norman Lent 2408 RHOB Washington, D.C. 20515-3204

Dear Congressman Lent:

As the Director of a Displaced Homemaker Center in Suffolk County, I have had the distinct pleasure of being interviewed by David Perello basising the President of WHSI TV-67 during our last program year which ended today. Dave and his crew videotaped participants and staff at a workshop we did on health hazards in the modern office, certainly an important and timely topic given the electronic technology most returnees to the job market are facing.

> "IN YOUR INTEREST", the program which carried this interview made it possible for many people to hear and see what would otherwise have been confined to our conference room, and also gave us the opportunity to reach many displaced homemakers, who were then able to access our services.

> As a not-for-profit agency operating on a constantly shrinking budget, public service television helps us to get the message across that there is help available for those who need employment assistance, skills training and career counseling. Spotlighting the needs of the viewing public to learn about community services and other important local topics is what WHSI TV-67 does so splendidly.

I urge you to support the legislation requiring cable-tv companies to carry the programming of all local broadcasters. On Long Island this would mean the local newscasts of WLIW TV-21, WLIG TV-55 and "IN YOUR INTEREST" would be available as basic services for all Cablevision and Brookhaven Cable Co. subscribers.

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Director

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May 21, 1992

The Honorable Norman F. Lent Room 2408 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Lent:

It has come to our attention that the Federal Government is currently reviewing legislation requiring cable-tv companies to carry the programming of local broadcasters. Here on Long Island, this includes WLIW TV 21, WLIG TV 55 and WHSI TV 67.

We also understand that there is an effort, on the part of a few Representatives, to exclude the programming of broadcasters like WHSI TV 67 from this legislation...there are objections to the "shop at home" concept, in spite of the fact that WHSI TV has been awarded a license based on its community service programming.

On more that one occasion, Long Island's United Way has been the subject of WHSI TV's public affairs program, "In Your Interest". It has been an important forum in the delivery of our message and we know that it is seen by local viewers. Outside News 12 and other local cable access outlets, this is one of the few locally produced programs addressing community issues. If it were not easily available on cable most Long Islanders would not know of its existence.

It's essential that WHSI -TV be included in any "must carry" legislation considered by Congress. We are among a host of organizations who benefit from the very positive exposure provided by this service. Long Islanders deserve more coverage of local issues and WHSI deserves to be included among those making a contribution on cable.

Sincerely.

John P. Renyhart Senior Vice President

Marketing & Communication

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c.c. David Porrello Paul Fleishman



he Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, Inc. 22 May 1992

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Dear *Salutation*:

I am co-founder of the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, Inc., and have been Executive Director of the Council since 1986.

Our goal is to inform and motivate health care professionals, legislators, educators and community members regarding the full scope of compulsive gambling in the State of New Jersey, so that we may serve in intervention and prevention capacities related to compulsive gambling.

I have been a guest on the WHSE-TV Channel 68 hourly public affairs program, "In Your Interest" many times. This forum has given me the opportunity to discuss the devastation caused by the "hidden disease" of compulsive gambling. Because it is broadcast every hour around the clock, instead of traditional public affairs formats, it provides the opportunity for a larger segment of the viewing public to get the information being discussed and presented. beliave, as a result of My appearances on Channel 68 and my "open invitation" to discuss the addiction of compulsive gambling, that viewers of Channel 68 have become better informed. Through my appearances on this forum, many compulsive gamblers and their families have been reached and helped. The relationship that the staff and management of Channel 68 established with my office has assisted in carrying out our goals.

I believe that "In Your Interest" is an important vehicle for offering information to the citizens of New Jersey. I urge you to reject any proposal that would bar local television stations from being carried on local cable systems. As a licensed television station, Channel 68 is dedicated to serving the public. Any artificial constraint on their ability to do so would harm the community they are licensed to serve.

Sincerely,

Arnold Wexler Executive Director

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Christopher A. DiCicco

662 GOEWIT AVENUE MIDLAND PANT 1 743 Offic (1) 448 1021 NFS (1) HW1 8102

June 1, 1991

The name is Christopher DiCicco and I am the Past President the New Jersey Association of Public Accountants for the fact of New Jersey. I have held this position, under the fact authority of the Board of Trustees since 1984. My firm, which is located in Midland Park is responsible for the initial public with both personal and commercial trending services.

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